

PLEASANT VIEW PROCLAIMER

OPPORTUNITY COST

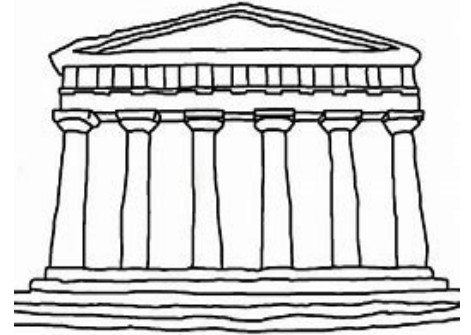
I was in a high school economics class when I first heard the phrase “opportunity cost.” Our teacher preferred that phrase over “trade off,” which means the same thing. An opportunity cost is the forgone benefit that would have been derived by an option not chosen. In layman’s terms, you give up a good thing by choosing a better thing.

We make decisions based on opportunity costs every day. You choose to eat a healthier meal in the short term because you know there will be a greater good in the long term. You decide against going on the expensive vacation now so that you will have money to go on multiple expensive vacations later. And so on.

Unfortunately, some sacrifice good spiritual matters in order to pursue good worldly matters. Is it good to spend family time at home with your children on the weekend? Absolutely. But why schedule that time during a worship service? Is it good spend money on a house, car, or clothes? Of course. But why focus your resources on those things while giving very little money to the Lord on Sunday?

You have all the time and money to do whatever you *really* want to do. Life is rarely “either/or.” It’s “both/and.” You can do all the good things you need to with a little prioritizing and focus. Don’t sacrifice the Lord’s needs while pursuing worldly endeavors.

James Hayes



“One thing I have asked from the Lord, that I shall seek; That I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord and to meditate in His temple.”

IMPORTANT DATES

3/28: Men’s meeting, 5:00

4/3: Easter Egg Hunt

OTHER NEWS

To support a Bible giveaway for India, send money to Broadway church of Christ, ATTN: India Missions, 2855 Broadway St., Paducah, KY 42001. One Bible cost \$7. Mani Pagidipalli has requested support for this effort.

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of Christ
2500 Highway 49E
P.O. Box 189
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37146

Sunday School: 9:30
Morning Worship:
10:30
Evening Worship:
6:00
Wednesday: 7:00
Phone: 615-924-9714

Prayer List:

- *Martha Moore, Becky Rose's grandmother, is resting at home. Her address is 4650 Pineywoods Rd, Adams, TN 37010.*
- *If you would like to send a card to the officer who was shot two weeks ago, his address is 709 Arabian Ln. Springfield, TN, 37172.*
- *Charles Baugh has double pneumonia and a blood clot in his lung. He is still in Skyline Hospital.*
- *Pray for Eric Whitaker, Ann Reed, and Kristine Garrett.*

FORWARD LIVING

Soren Kierkegaard said, "Life must be lived forward; it can only be understood backwards." But human beings want to understand tomorrow before it ever happens. And since we cannot know tomorrow today, worry fills our minds.

Remember: Today is the day you will look back on tomorrow. You will either look back with pride or shame. So with what will you fill today? Here are some options:

1. *Fear.* Covid-19. Riots. Unemployment. Tornados. Cancer. The list goes on and on. Life is full of dreadful things. Too many people spend their lives focusing on the bad thing is happening or the bad thing they think will happen at any moment. That's no way to live.
2. *Faith.* Living by faith is forward living. It is letting God lead your life, doing the best you can with what you have, and believing that better days lie ahead. Jesus did not die for us so that we would live with constant fear and soul-crushing hopelessness.

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THOSE WHO WILL SERVE (March 28, 2021)

SUNDAY SCHOOL

READ: J. Buchanan

PRAYER: Gupton

WORSHIP

WAIT ON TABLE: J. Walker

SERVE: Billingsley, Reed, D. Demonbreum

PRAYER: Rose